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REMARKS

The Examiner's recognition of Applicants' invention by the allowance of claim 71 is gratefully acknowledged.

Claim Rejection based on 35 USC § 103

Hammerle et al. in view of Duvinage et al.

Claim 37 has been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that this claim is not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 6,823,663, filed by Hanmerle et al. and in further view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al.

Claim 37 has been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

Duvinage et al. in view of Kinugasa et al.

Claims 1, 49, 55-57, 63, and 64 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that these claims are not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al. in further view of United States Patent No. 6,109.024, filed by Kinugasa et al.

Claims 1, 49, 55-57, 63, and 64 have been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

Duvinage et al. in view of Kinugasa et al. in further view of Kupe et al.

Claims 50 and 51 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that these claims are not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al. in view of United States Patent No. 6,109,024, filed by Kinugasa et al. in view of United States Patent No. 6,832,473, file by Kupe et al.

Claims 50 and 51 have been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

Duvinage et al. in view of Kinugasa et al. in further view of Stroia et al.

Claims 52 and 53 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that these claims are not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al. in view of United States Patent No. 6,109,024, filed by Kinugasa et al. in further view of United States Patent No. 6,820,414, file by Stroia et al.

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Claims 52 and 53 have been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

Gandhi et al. in view of Duvinage et al.

Claims 24 and 58-61 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that these claims are not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 7,332,135, filed by Gandhi et al. in view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al.

Claims 24 and 58-61 have been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

Duvinage et al. in view of Kinugasa et al.

Claims 65, 66, and 68-70 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that these claims are not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al. in further view of United States Patent No. 6,109.024, filed by Kinugasa et al.

Claims 65, 66, and 68-70 have been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

Duvinage et al. in view of Kinugasa et al. in further view of Stroia et al.

Claim 67 has been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a). The Examiner stated that this claim is not patentable in view of United States Patent No. 7,254,939, filed by Duvinage et al. in view of United States Patent No. 6,109,024, filed by Kinugasa et al. in further view of United States Patent No. 6,820,414, file by Stroia et al.

Claim 67 has been canceled rendering this rejection moot.

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CONCLUSION

Only an allowed claim remains in the application. Applicants request that the application proceed to issuance. If it would further the prosecution of the application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at the phone number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication and/or credit any overpayments to Delphi Technologies, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-0831.

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